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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Mileti et al  
Serial No.: 09/483,117  
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Title: HEAT SEALER FOR THERMOPLASTIC FILMS

Group Art Unit: 1734  
Examiner: C. Hawkins  
Docket: D-20063-01

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) within which to respond to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2001. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed with this document.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. The undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge to Deposit Account No. 07-1765 any additional fees which are deemed to be required, and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1765.

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